

NATIONAL BATSMEN HAVE FORGED INTO SELECT SOCIETY

GANLEY AND JONES BAT OVER .300 IN AMERICAN

Clever Fielders Hitting .328 and .304, Respectively.
Niles Tops the List—Perrine Leads Second Basemen in Fielding.

Sixteen men are batting over .300 in the American League. Of these Niles still retains his big lead, with a percentage of .336. Thielman tops the list, but as the Cleveland pitcher has played in only seven games, his achievement does not stamp him as a hitter. Following Niles comes Nichols, of the Athletics, who has clouted .357 for eighteen games. Then comes Flick, who leads the individual sluggers, with .332.

Close at the Cleveland's heels are Bob Ganley, of Washington, and Ollie Pickering, of St. Louis, with .328 apiece. Charley Jones is the only other Washington player batting in society. The fleet outfielder's mark is .304.

The records of the other Washington batters, including Cross and Schlafly, who are no longer with the team, follow in the order of their standing: Anderson and Graham, .288; Hickman,

.276; Altizer, .266; Warner, .250; Blankenship, .248; Delehanty, .222; Cross, .219; Still, .208; Perrine, .206; Heydon, .185; Schlafly, .181; Patten, .125; Falkenberg, .067.

Chicago, usually considered a weak hitting team, is leading in club batting, with Washington fifth. In team fielding Detroit heads the others; Washington fourth.

Eight pitchers still have perfect fielding averages, and three catchers have done equally well. "Jigger" Donohue carries off the first base honors with a great record. Perrine leads the second basemen, and Cross held them all down at third when he left the league. O'Leary tops the shortstops, and the outfield medals go to Stone and Grimshaw.

Batting Averages.

Player	G.	AB.	R.	H.	SH.	SB.	Pct.
Thielman, C.	17	77	2	7	1	0	.412
Niles, St. L.	24	101	19	39	4	2	.336
Nichols, A.	18	70	11	23	3	0	.332
Flick, C.	52	187	33	62	8	20	.332
Pickering, St. L.	48	183	26	60	8	3	.328
McFarland, C.	18	61	11	20	4	10	.328
GANLEY, St. L.	53	199	24	65	3	9	.327
Jones, D.	26	92	23	29	0	8	.315
Smith, Ch.	35	125	5	11	1	2	.314
Crawford, D.	41	162	26	51	2	5	.313
McFarland, Ch.	17	58	4	18	0	1	.310
Ladine, C.	52	197	23	60	4	11	.306
JONES, W.	48	149	14	44	9	8	.304
Clarke, C.	36	115	11	35	1	9	.304
Parent, B.	47	192	27	58	0	9	.302
Hahn, Ch.	48	182	26	55	12	4	.301
Donovan, Ch.	51	196	29	58	5	12	.299
Dougherty, Ch.	44	152	26	45	6	12	.296
McIntyre, D.	50	186	23	51	1	4	.288
ANDERSON, W.	6	18	1	4	0	0	.288
GRAHAM, W.	12	21	4	6	0	0	.288
Dowling, D.	13	46	4	13	2	0	.284
Collins, A.	39	124	17	35	6	4	.284
Seybold, A.	50	194	22	55	7	4	.284
Schreck, A.	40	155	14	43	2	2	.277
Unglaub, B.	51	193	19	53	9	1	.275
Elberfeld, N. Y.	48	174	14	41	4	7	.275
HICKMAN, W.	25	98	12	27	0	4	.275
Jones, Ch.	49	169	23	46	15	7	.271
Ortiz, N. Y.	16	64	4	13	0	1	.271
Hoffman, N. Y.	46	164	24	44	12	1	.271
Young, B.	16	45	3	12	0	2	.267
Klein, B.	42	125	11	37	6	1	.268
Walsh, Ch.	15	42	5	11	0	1	.262
Outing, A.	28	96	17	25	2	11	.260
Hartel, A.	50	189	29	48	8	12	.258
Turner, Ch.	48	166	20	42	6	12	.258
Dirmingham, Cl.	40	140	18	36	12	3	.257
Laporte, N. Y.	36	124	14	34	2	1	.256
Coughlin, D.	47	120	12	34	2	1	.256
Keeler, N. Y.	45	176	15	44	16	5	.259
WALKER, N. Y.	17	64	4	16	0	0	.250
Gongolton, B.	50	152	6	28	1	2	.248
Conroy, N. Y.	48	181	19	45	2	15	.249
Williams, N. Y.	42	141	12	35	4	4	.248
Fert, B.	19	67	1	15	0	0	.247
Isbell, Ch.	48	187	26	46	12	12	.246
Chase, N. Y.	48	174	25	45	8	11	.244
Stone, St. L.	38	157	24	40	5	5	.244
BLANK, N. Y.	12	37	0	9	0	0	.242
Schmidt, D.	30	107	11	26	3	0	.243
Strock, Ch.	49	181	20	41	0	2	.243
Mullin, D.	17	58	8	14	0	2	.241
Schaefer, D.	41	154	15	37	3	7	.240
Hartel, St. L.	47	177	18	42	1	10	.240
Rossman, D.	17	58	8	14	0	2	.241
Hempill, St. L.	52	198	23	47	8	7	.237
O'Leary, A.	5	12	2	4	0	0	.237
O'Leary, D.	16	24	2	3	0	2	.237
Davis, A.	50	201	26	47	1	8	.234
Ray, C.	14	43	10	10	1	1	.234
Jones, St. L.	53	176	14	41	10	12	.232
Davis, Ch.	40	136	18	31	6	4	.228
Hinchman, Cl.	41	149	21	34	2	6	.228
Sullivan, Ch.	37	124	12	27	2	2	.228
Moriarty, N. Y.	29	92	7	21	0	0	.226
Yeager, St. L.	46	168	11	38	2	4	.226
Cross, St. L.	45	161	22	35	1	1	.224
Winter, B.	8	27	0	6	0	0	.222
Jacobsen, B.	7	18	2	4	1	1	.222
DELEHANTY, W.	28	108	9	24	6	5	.222
Quill, Ch.	73	278	16	6	6	0	.219
CROSS, W.	41	160	14	35	5	4	.219
Howell, St.	17	42	10	10	2	0	.217
HUGHES, W.	15	37	3	8	1	1	.217
MURPHY, A.	27	141	14	29	7	2	.213
GLAD, St. L.	9	33	6	7	0	0	.212
KITSON, N. Y.	19	59	2	4	4	0	.208
NILL, W.	27	101	11	21	3	0	.208
PERRINE, W.	30	97	9	20	4	7	.206
Sullivan, B.	43	151	25	37	4	3	.204
Bohe, Ch.	47	157	15	32	8	10	.204
Knight, B.	48	172	11	35	1	3	.203
Stoval, Ch.	52	175	14	37	7	7	.203
Harris, B.	10	30	0	6	0	0	.200
Killian, D.	13	35	6	7	1	1	.200
Siever, D.	11	25	0	5	1	1	.200
Cooper, B.	2	8	0	1	0	0	.125
Barrett, B.	8	26	2	5	2	0	.192
Welday, Ch.	8	26	2	5	0	0	.192
Rhoades, B.	2	8	0	1	0	0	.125
Moore, N. Y.	7	15	1	3	0	0	.188
HEYDON, W.	22	65	3	12	0	0	.185
Tannehill, B.	7	22	0	4	0	0	.182
Clark, B.	12	35	2	5	1	1	.182
Wagner, B.	41	140	7	25	2	3	.182
Stephens, St. L.	17	57	10	11	1	1	.175
Bradley, Ch.	32	128	13	21	1	1	.175
Bemis, Cl.	17	58	4	10	2	3	.172
Payne, D.	15	58	2	10	1	0	.172
Keefe, N. Y.	18	18	1	4	0	0	.167
Oberlin, B.	10	12	0	2	0	0	.167
Eubank, D.	7	12	0	2	0	0	.167
Plank, A.	14	37	4	6	1	1	.165
Shaw, B.	16	44	2	6	1	1	.165
Crieger, B.	24	70	3	11	4	3	.157
O'Connor, St. L.	18	65	1	10	1	0	.154
Payne, St.	12	32	2	5	1	1	.152
SCHLAFLY, W.	24	73	10	11	4	6	.151
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Quill, Ch.	20	70	1	13	1	0	.150
Vickers, B.	9	20	0	3	0	0	.150
Grimshaw, B.	16	71	5	10	0	1	.141
Buelew, St. L.	15	60	4	7	1	1	.140
Coombs, A.	12	28	2	4	0	0	.138
Liebhart, Cl.	22	33	3	5	0	0	.136
Lord, A.	25	84	6	11	4	0	.131
Armbruster, B.	1	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Morgan, St. L.	7	16	2	2	0	0	.125
PATTEN, W.	15	36	1	3	1	0	.125
Thomas, N. Y.	8	29	4	3	1	0	.125
White, Ch.	12	29	1	4	0	0	.125
Waddell, A.	14	42	3	4	1	0	.095
Brockett, N. Y.	8	21	3	2	0	0	.095
Archer, D.	7	29	1	2	0	0	.069
FALK'NG, W.	9	23	3	2	2	0	.087
Doyle, N.	11	24	2	2	2	0	.083
Pratt, E.	18	14	1	1	0	0	.070
Hess, Cl.	11	19	3	1	1	0	.070
Bender, A.	11	20	3	1	2	0	.060

Club Batting.

Club	AB.	R.	H.	SH.	SB.	Pct.
Chicago	1,828	199	421	83	29	.256
Detroit	1,697	201	412	33	59	.256
St. Louis	1,743	187	441	51	52	.253
New York	1,559	175	387	50	62	.249
Wash.	1,530	151	376	41	73	.246
Cleveland	1,631	188	365	62	88	.242
Athletics	1,686	199	385	53	51	.232
Boston	1,681	133	382	54	31	.227

Long Hits by Clubs.

Club	2B.	3B.	4B.	Tot.
Cleveland	68	13	3	211
Athletics	79	12	6	206
Boston	68	16	1	185
St. Louis	57	18	3	188
New York	53	18	2	188
Chicago	46	8	2	124

Club Fielding.

Clubs.	A.B.	R.	H.	SH.	SB.	Pct.
Chicago	1,631	199	421	68	57	.268
Detroit	1,667	201	413	73	69	.267
St. Louis	1,743	187	441	51	62	.267
New York	1,569	175	387	50	65	.247
Cash	1,529	151	419	57	73	.246
Cleveland	1,631	188	395	62	88	.242
Athletics	1,666	199	388	53	51	.232
Boston	1,681	133	382	54	31	.227

Long Hits by Clubs.

Clubs.	2B.	3B.	4B.	E.T.
Detroit	63	13	9	.211
Athletics	68	13	9	.211
Boston	70	12	6	.206
Washington	67	12	6	.206
St. Louis	57	18	8	.188
New York	53	18	2	.188
Cash	51	18	3	.188
Chicago	46	8	2	.124

TRAINER GARTH GIVES JOCKEY RADTKE ADVICE

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"You can't ride race horses under the glare of the Broadway white lights," is the way Trainer "Billy" Garth, the directing spirit of Paul J. Rainey's stable, warned Jockey Radtke to cut out the "primrose path" late this week.

It appears the young rider had been staying up half the night in New York and getting down to the Sheephead Bay training grounds just in time to get into the saddle of some horse for an important trial. Once or twice Radtke didn't show up at all and his work in the afternoon became listless and devoid of finish. Hence the \$25,000 jockey suffered a "fall."

The sporting life of Broadway has killed off many a good man in the last twenty years, the victims being such shining examples that the fact of Radtke falling into the pitfall passes understanding.

Would Be a Sport.

Still the clinking wine glasses, the merry music of the dinner hour and the dash and excitement of the evening hours about the theater foyers where gay lights shine softly upon "fair women and brave men," in the words of the poet, is certainly an alluring temptation to a young fellow who finds himself earning a \$100,000 a year. After receiving Garth's word of caution, Radtke hunted up young Rainey, a tall, gaunt, boyish chap, and proceeded to argue the matter. The affair wound up by Radtke stretching his five feet and 100 pounds and offering to let Rainey "right here or anywhere you want to go." The paddock loungers laughed outright at the thing.

It was Broadway which killed off "Tod" Sloan, not the foreign turf authorities, and it was the "Great White Way" which sounded the knell of "Young Commodore" and Jockey Grover Cleveland Fuller. Biles Greenan and "Joe" Yeager would be heroes in the strife today had they not tread the famous Avenue of Pleasure. And so the list goes on. Will Radtke, the great rival of "Marvelous" Miller, fall too? Just now this jockey prefers to wear the tuxedo rather than the silk racing colors.

Miller Masters Spittball.

Talking of the jockeys something cropped up this week which shows the natural cleverness of Miller. Though eighteen years of age and weighing less than 105 pounds, Miller pitches the "spit ball." Hundreds of professional baseball twirlers cannot do this. During his recent suspension of a week, Miller busied himself playing ball near his home at Homecroft, L. I. Throwing up the "spit ball" to the rural sluggers constituted his chief amusement, and a source of wonder to the natives. Miller is one of those peculiar individuals who have the knack of doing well everything they take their hand to.

The three-year-old problem remains far from settled. The handicapper is not so sure that Peter Pan is better than Electioneer, the 1906 Futurity winner, while Salvadore is working again in fine style and will probably show pretty nearly all the speed and class of his two-year-old form when Messrs. Madden and Hitchcock finally let him down. Peter Pan beat Electioneer in the Standard Stakes at one and one-quarter miles, carrying weight for age, but many a good judge said the lack of one or two races beneath his belt, it being Electioneer's first race of the year, prevented the victor taking the measure of Mr. Keene's prize youngster.

Court Dress Best Filly.

While all the talk over the above trio of colts is going on, it may be well to have an eye and some serious consideration for a filly from now on. This is Court Dress, the flashy daughter of Disguise. Last year she was accounted the "Queen of the two-year-old fillies," and it may be said she is living up to that high standard as a three-year-old. Yankee Girl beat her in the Ladies, late in May, but that she was plainly there there is clearly established by the way she "distanced" Plunger Ellison's brag mare in the Gazette Stakes, at Gravesend. Trainer Rowe has so many horses to train for Mr. Keene this summer that many of them come to hand just a little bit short.

That explains Court Dress' poor form at the inception of her campaign a month ago. Great as was the crowd attending the Suburban Handicap on last Thursday at Sheephead Bay, so much interest is displayed in the three-year-olds that a special race bringing Peter Pan, Court Dress, and Electioneer together would attract an enormous throng. Before the next meeting here at Sheephead Bay is over the question will find a settlement. In the meantime it will be remembered that Court Dress is not five pounds off the best colt. She is the finest three-year-old filly since Beldame's time.

IT WAS A BUSY WEEK WITH THE WASHINGTON BALL TEAM

